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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b. Copies of foreign documents are submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

The documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b were cited in a European Search Report dated September 30, 2004, (copy attached) directed to a counterpart foreign application. A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) follows:

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This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after mailing of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the issue fee. A Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is provided above and a Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17 is attached to this submission in duplicate.)

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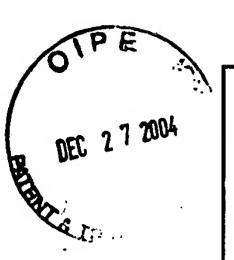
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